

## Message Text

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 09646

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: AF, UR  
SUBJECT: SOVIET MEDIA ON AFGHAN COUP

REF: MOSCOW 9528

1. SOVIET MEDIA CONTINUES TO REFRAIN FROM DIRECT COMMENTARY  
ON THE AFGHAN COUP. ALTHOUGH SOVIET PRESS HAS ANNOUNCED THE  
RECOGNITION OF THE NEW AFGHAN REGIME BY "A NUMBER OF  
STATES", AND HAS DWELLED ON INDIAN RECOGNITION, THERE IS YET  
TO BE AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF SOVIET RECOGNITION.

2. MEANWHILE, BY CITING RADIO KABUL AND OTHER FOREIGN NEWS  
SOURCES, THE SLANT OF SOVIET MEDIA COVERAGE CONTINUES TO  
BE FULLY POSITIVE. SOVIET EVENING TV NEWS SHOW MAY 2  
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CITED RADIO KABUL AS STATING THAT MEETINGS OF AFGHANS  
FROM VARIOUS WALKS OF LIFE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY WELCOME  
AND SUPPORT THE NEW REGIME. SAME TV NEWS ITEM CLAIMED  
INDIAN AMBASSADOR SK. SINGH PRESENTED A NOTE TO PRIME  
MINISTER TARIKI HOLDING THAT INDIA WILL BEND EVERY EFFORT  
TOWARDS THE FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF FRIENDSHIP AND CO-  
OPERATION WITH AFGHANISTAN (THIS SAME ITEM ALSO CARRIED

MAY 2 ENGLISH LANGUAGE TASS).

3. MAY 2 TASS ARTICLE REPRINTED IN MAY 3 PRAVDA REPORTS  
"DECREE NUMBER TWO" ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT OF OTHER  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND MENTIONS THAT AMBASSADOR SINGH  
PRESENTED A NOTE TO PM TARIKA. TOON

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